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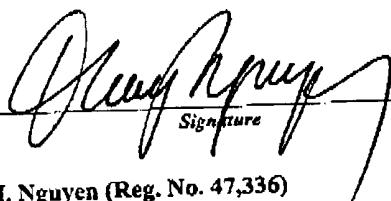
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## S P E C I F I C A T I O N

## NITRIC OXIDE MANIPULATION OF MUSCLE SATELLITE CELL ACTIVATION

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## FIELD OF INVENTION

The present invention relates generally to skeletal muscle proliferation. More specifically, the invention relates to nitric oxide as a modulator of skeletal muscle precursor cell activation, and to uses of nitric oxide to improve muscle formation and repair in normal and disease states.

## BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Skeletal muscle arises after the induction of the mesoderm. After differentiation of the mesoderm into dorsal, intermediate, and lateral mesoderm, the dorsal mesodermal mesenchyme differentiates to form myotomes which, in turn, differentiate to give rise to the myogenic precursor cells which ultimately form skeletal muscle. Unlike the myogenic precursor cells of the heart, the skeletal muscle precursors fuse side-to-side to form unbranched, multinucleated myofibers. Some of the skeletal myogenic precursor cells do not differentiate and fuse into myocytes (also called myofibers) but, rather, attach to the outside of the plasmalemma of the myocytes. These cells participate in muscle growth during maturation and typically thereafter will remain, throughout adulthood, as largely undifferentiated, quiescent skeletal muscle "satellite cells." Upon injury of a skeletal muscle, these satellite cells are revealed to be myogenic precursor cells, or muscle "stem cells," which proliferate and differentiate, again by fusion, into new and functional skeletal muscle. Even after injury, some of the proliferated satellite cells remain undifferentiated and attach to the newly